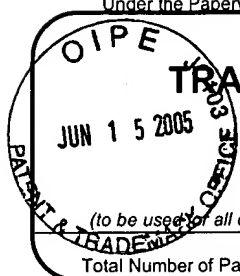


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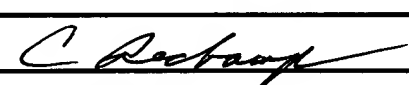
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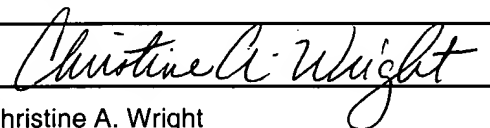
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In response to the Office Action mailed March 11, 2005, Applicants submit the following amendment and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.